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With new and fashionable type, and at Prices which cannot fail of meriting a share of Public patronage. The favors of the old Patrons are respectfully solicited.

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Weekly Almanac.

DEC'D B'DAY.	SUN.	SUN.	MOON	HIGH
1847.	rises.	sets.	rises.	water
SATURDAY,	7 32 4	28 9	4 10 42	
SUNDAY,	7 32 4	28 10	4 11 32	
MONDAY,	7 31 4	29 11	5 1 morn.	
TUESDAY,	7 31 4	29 11	5 9 0 31	
WEDNESDAY,	7 31 4	29 11	5 9 0 31	
THURSDAY,	7 30 4	30 0	5 4 1 56	
FRIDAY,	7 30 4	30 1	5 2 2 39	

Moon last qr. 29th, 8th hour, 18 m. morning.

POST OFFICE Arrangement.

MAILS CLOSE.

PROVIDENCE,	DAILY,	8 A. M.
BOSTON,	do	8 A. M.
FALL RIVER,	do	8 A. M.
NEW YORK,	by steamboat	7 P. M.
WESTERLY, Tuesdays and Fridays,	6 A. M.	
NEW SHOREHAM, Fridays,	7 A. M.	
Office open till 7 P. M.		
JOSEPH JOSLEN, Post Master.		

DISCOUNT DAYS,

At the several Banks in this Town.

MERCHANTS BANK, on Monday afternoon.

NEWPORT EXCHANGE BANK, on Monday evening.

NEWPORT BANK, on Tuesday afternoon.

NEW ENGLAND COMMERCIAL BANK, on Tuesday afternoon.

RODE ISLAND UNION BANK, on Wednesday morning.

BANK OF RHODE ISLAND, on Thursday afternoon.

TRADERS BANK, on Thursday evening.

CUSTOM HOUSE,

Office Hours.

From 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. and 3 P. M. to 5 P. M.

EDWIN WILBUR, Collector.

\$5 REWARD.

THE subscriber has been very much molested by Boys, both large and small, by having his store door pushed open, the window shutters thrown too, and stones thrown into his store, and some articles broken and others stolen. He having oftentimes been compelled to lock his Store door to avoid the annoyance,—thereby shutting out his customers from purchasing his goods. He has complained to some parents also to the Master of the Public School,—and the annoyance is still continued. On the 17th of November in the evening, a stone weighing 20 pounds was thrown into his store. Going to the door to see who the disturbers was, he stumbled over the same, which precipitated him on the sidewalk in the street, by which he was much injured, and has not yet recovered. Which has induced him to offer the above reward, for the discovery of the person or persons concerned, so that he or they may be brought before some lawful tribunal to answer for the same. Any person or persons furnishing such evidence shall receive the above reward.

WILLIAM WILLBOUR.

Newport, Dec. 4, 1847.

Norman's Shoe Store.

IF I had not seen your ADVERTISEMENT, I should not have known you had such splendid articles for sale.

The above assertion has often been made, and not wishing to deprive my fellow citizens of knowledge useful to themselves and their children, I will, from time to time, notify them of the additions I intend, making frequently to my stock of Goods, consisting at present of a large assortment of Men's Water PROOF thick Boots—sewed & pegged. Men and Boys common thick Boots. Men's nice calf sewed & pegged Boots, Ladies' nice Buskins and Gaiter Boots, Men Women and Children's RUBBERS, &c. &c. It is my purpose to make No. 95 Thames street, the fashionable depot of articles in my line, in fact it has already assumed to a considerable extent that character, and if the people of Newport, and towns contiguous, wish to have, at a reasonable price, Boots and Shoes equal in style to any found in New York or Boston, they had better patronize the above establishment, the proprietor of which attaches his name hereunto.

GEORGE H. NORMAN.

HOSIERY.—Real nice Winter Hosiery for Ladies—all colors. Men's nice yarn knit Hose and half do., for sale cheap by WM. C. COZZENS & CO.

MUFFS.—A good assortment at low prices, by WM. C. COZZENS & CO.

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POETS CORNER.

HYMN FOR CHRISTMAS.

BY MRS. ANNA L. SNELLING.

Hail to Christmas, joyous season!

Fondly loved by every breast;

Friends and happiness around us,

Winter's gloom in smiles is drest,

Thanks to Heaven for every blessing,

Showered upon us through the year;

Health and competence possessing,

Can we wish for greater here?

Chorus.—Hail to Christmas, &c.

Freedom's banner floats above us,

Peace and plenty crown our land;

Learning spreads its stores around us,

Comforts rise on every hand,

On benighted souls is breaking,

Daily now, the light Divine;

Heathen minds from slumber wakening,

Feel religion's influence shine.

Chorus.—Hail to Christmas, &c.

Favor'd youth of every nation,

Come, obey the solemn call;

Let the tidings of salvation

You have heard, be known to all.

Be our happiness extended

To each region of the earth,

Till their songs with praise are blendid,

At a blest Redeemer's birth.

Chorus.—Hail to Christmas, &c.

And to us the trust be given,

Children of a ransomed land,

To send the ministry of Heaven

O'er mountain height and desert sand.

Let no year that passes o'er us,

E'er behold our labors cease,

Till this day on distant islands,

See the Gospel flag of peace.

Chorus.—Hail to Christmas, &c.

The good Things of the Season for

Parties, & Holiday Presents.

WINTER evenings and YOUNG'S Variety store, form pleasant associations for the inhabitants of Newport. There is nothing, scarcely, that can contribute to the comfort of all, that cannot be obtained at this store, and all as low, and a great many much less than can be bought elsewhere in Newport. For example, we will attach the following prices, and every article is warranted.

Western Apples from \$1.75 to \$2.12 per bushel; Sheet-barks \$2 per bushel; peaches \$1.62 per bushel; Chestnuts from four to five dollars per bushel; Almonds one shilling per pound; new raisins, figs, dates and currants 12cts. per pound; we sell these last named articles at wholesale prices. Prunes 20cts. per pound; grapes 25cts. new-citron 28cts.; preserved ginger \$1.12 per jar, or 30cts. per pound, in small quantities; candies and all kinds of confectionary cheaper than they have ever been sold at any other store in town, at wholesale and retail, always fresh and of the finest quality. For the truth of this we wish every one to come and judge for themselves.

This is no idle advertisement merely to draw people to my store to disappoint them, but a plain statement of facts, which all may ascertain by calling. Also several kinds of Cough Candy warranted equal to any now in use, for the cure of all kinds of complaints arising from colds. Fancy articles and toys of every description, in any quantity, such as silk purses, pocket books, cigar cases, pocket knives, scissors, razors, razor straps, hair, clothes, tooth and shoe brushes, fancy work boxes, walking canes, dominoes, dice, conversation cards, French and Highland do, combs of all kinds, cologne, hair oil and pomatum, cigars, tobacco, and everything that is kept in a confectionary and variety store. New sweet cider on draught or by the barrel.

H. H. YOUNG.
Dec 4.]

South of the Town Hall.

DAGUERREOTYPES.

Corner of Washington Square & Thames street, 3d floor.

THE subscriber having re-

turned from New York with a new and improved instrument, which for quickness and accuracy surpasses all others now in use, and with which perfect pictures can be obtained in 5 seconds, together with all the latest improvements, respectfully informs those who are in want of pictures of themselves or friends, that they will do well to avail themselves of the present opportunity, as his stay in Newport will be short.

Rooms free to all.

N. B. Perfect satisfaction given, or no charge.

Newport, Nov. 6.]

L. T. TEW.

JUST RECEIVED—French

Beaver and Mole Skin Hats, latest

Fashion; also, Brush, Fur and Silk

do. CAPS—a large assortment of

Mens' Boys and Children's Cloth & Velvet Caps,

of the latest New York Styles.

MUFFS—Listed

LYNX, Vienna LYNX, French FOX.

Light and dark

Siberia, Squirrel, natural Jonnette, Coney &c.

TRIMMINGS—Squirrel, Swan's Down, Blue and

Black Coney &c. &c.

The above furs are all FRESH articles, and were

SELECTED from the stock of the largest German

importing House in New York, and are war-

tened perfect in every particular.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

ARMY & NAVY NEWS.

THIRTIETH CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, FRIDAY, Dec. 17.

SENATE.—This body was not in session, having adjourned over to Monday.

HOUSE.—This body resumed the consideration of the special Message and further debate on the subject was postponed until to-morrow.

The Committee on the Judiciary reported a bill to the House to amend the Act regulating the appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in certain cases.

The bill was read twice and passed to a third reading.

Mr. Meade of Va., announced the death of his predecessor, Mr. Dromgoole, the former able and eloquent member of the House. Mr. Meade delivered an affecting and eloquent address, and on his motion the usual resolutions were passed.

The House then adjourned.

WASHINGTON, SATURDAY, Dec. 18.

HOUSE.—Mr. Hunt introduced resolutions from the Legislature of New York, favoring Mr. Whitney's Oregon Railroad Report.

The remainder of the session was occupied in debating the rules of the House.

The one hour rule was adopted: also a rule providing for a Standing Committee on the Smithsonian Institute.

Messrs. Hillard and Johnson denounced the manner in which legislation was conducted in relation to this Institution.

The Rules of the House, with some modifications were adopted.

WASHINGTON, MONDAY, Dec. 20.

SENATE.—Mr. Webster appeared in his seat.

Mr. Hannegan gave notice for this day, of a territorial government bill of Oregon.

A memorial from 299 officers of the army in Mexico was presented, asking provision for disabled officers and the widows and children of the slain.

Resolutions against the extension of slave territory, from the Legislatures of New Hampshire and Connecticut, were presented.

Mr. Calhoun called up his resolutions concerning the war, and they were debated at some length, but without present result. Debate postponed to the 4th of January.—Mr. Calhoun insisted on the necessity of determining what should be done with Mexican territory before acquiring any more.

The death of Mr. Dromgoole was announced and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.—Mr. Grinnell called for information respecting the proposed exploration of the Dead Sea, and its better claim than the improvement of American harbors, &c.

A resolution of inquiry was adopted, looking to the establishment of commercial reciprocity between the United States and Canada. One referring to diplomatic relations with the Pope was offered but laid over. One proposing to abolish the *shoreshipps of Naples and Turin, and* appointing a minister to Rome was referred. One of inquiry concerning the improvement of the Hudson River was adopted.

Resolutions voting thanks to General Taylor, his officers and men, and directing a gold medal to be struck for Gen. Taylor; requesting the President to communicate the instructions relating to the return of Santa Anna to Mexico; declaring it inexpedient to raise another loan to carry on the war; calling for correspondence with the Government of Great Britain, relative to commercial regulations; for instructions given to Mr. Slidell in Mexican affairs, and requesting the President to communicate what authority a civil government had been established in the territories of Mexico, were all laid over.

Mr. Pettit offered a resolution declaring the power of Government to improve harbors and rivers. A motion to lay on the table was negatived.—124 to 70. The previous question was moved but not ordered, and the resolution was laid over.

A resolution, charging the origin of the war upon Mexico, gave rise to a variety of motions, pending, which the House adjourned till Monday.

THE ARREST OF GEN. WORTH.—The New Orleans Delta of the 14th gives the following, in a letter from a correspondent, dated

VERA CRUZ, Dec. 4, 1847.

The British Minister left yesterday for the city with an American escort. He will be puzzled to find the Mexican Government to which he is accredited.

A lamentable feeling pervades the army at Mexico, owing to jealousies and heartburnings, envy and malice, and political prejudices. Gen. Scott has arrested Pillow and Worth. The circumstances which led to this step are believed to be these:—Two letters emanating from the American camp, published in the United States, have been read by Gen. Scott.

In an order published to the army he prematurely decided who wrote them, and impeached the honor, patriotism, and services of the two generals, who are enlabeled in those letters. One of the generals (Pillow) denies, in a card published in Mexico, the authorship of the letter attributed to his pen by Gen. Scott. The other general (Worth) prefers charges against Scott, and Scott arrests him for contempt.

Gen. Pillow was arrested because he appealed from an opinion of Scott, requesting the latter to transmit the appeal to the Secretary of War. Scott refused in a hasty manner, whereupon the former remarked, "I will do it, sir." "Then I arrest you, sir," was Scott's reply. So matters stand at last dates.

FROM SANTA FE.—Mr. Read arrived at St. Louis on the 22d inst., bringing 18 days later advices. By this arrival later intelligence has been received from Chihuahua.

Col. Newby of the Illinois Volunteers, with Major Robbins, had gone to Taos.

The Santa Fe Republican says that the troops who had gone southward had been guilty of many acts of violence upon the people of the lower portion of the territory.

The Apache Indians had charged into the Rio, (enclosure) and drove off 200 head of cattle, killing three men in the employment of Mr. Thorp, and destroyed all the wagons.

Various rumors of mutiny had existed.—Capt. Gray's company had quelled it with two companies of Illinoisans.

Major Reynolds, with Missouri mounted men, the St. Louis battalion, five companies Illinois regiment, three companies of the regular Dragoons and the Santa Fe battalion had left for the south, and will winter at El Paso. There were only 5000 troops left at Santa Fe.

Major Spaulding, who had been South, reported that 3000 Mexican troops were busy at Chihuahua in erecting fortifications and mounting cannon on the castle and other defensive works.

WASHINGTON, TUESDAY, Dec. 21.

SENATE.—A bill to repeal the pilot law of 1837 was read twice.

A resolution was adopted, directing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire what legislation was necessary to give efficacy to the treaty existing between this country and France, for the surrender of fugitives from justice.

HOUSE.—A memorial was presented for repealing the laws recognizing slavery in the District of Columbia, and laid over for further consideration.

Mr. Botts, of Virginia introduced a resolution calling on the President to furnish information relative to the war.

The resolution of Mr. Adams was adopted, calling on the Secretary of State for information concerning the claims of Mexico under the convention of 1839.

Mr. Vinton of Ohio from the Committee on Ways and Means reported a bill for an appropriation to supply the partial deficiency for subsistence during the year ending June, 1848.

It was referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The resolutions offered yesterday by Mr. Richardson, in favor of the War, came up for consideration.

Resolutions of an opposing character were offered as a substitute.

The previous question was moved but not sustained—nays 162, yeas 99.

They lie over.

Mr. Wentworth of Illinois, offered a series of resolutions declaring that the general government was empowered to construct harbors and improve rivers and for the protection of the Navy and of commerce and for national defences.

The previous question was sustained and the resolutions were adopted by a vote of 138 to 54.

Robert Smith introduced a bill for the completion of the Cumberland road through Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Missouri.

WASHINGTON, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 22.
SENATE.—A petition from Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton was presented by Mr. Green, praying Congress to purchase one thousand copies of the Hamilton papers.

Mr. Hale presented two anti-slavery petitions, and made strenuous efforts to induce the Senate to depart from its settled practice of not receiving petitions of that import. The question of non-reception being put, Mr. Berrien moved to lay that question on the table, which was decided in the affirmative:—yeas 33, nays 10.

Mr. Ashley from the Judiciary Committee, reported a bill to amend the acts regulating the appellate jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in certain cases.—Passed.

Mr. Cass, from the Military Committee reported a bill to raise for a limited time an additional military force, and gave notice that he would call it up at the earliest opportunity.

A resolution offered by Mr. Westcott was adopted, directing an inquiry as to whether any alterations are necessary in the patent laws. The Senate then adjourned.

HOUSE.—A resolution was adopted authorizing the Speaker to appoint a joint Committee on Printing for the House.

Mr. Lincoln of Ill., offered a series of resolutions relating to the several Messages of the President on the Mexican war, and requesting of him information on numerous points touching the causes of the war and the right of the United States to territory between the Neches and the Rio Grande.

Mr. McClelland presented a resolution calling for statistics of the commerce of Western Lakes.

Mr. Kaufman offered a resolution of inquiry as to the expediency of authorizing Postmasters to receive subscriptions and remit monies for newspapers free of postage.

On motion of Mr. Vinton, the House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, and took up the bill appropriating a million of dollars to supply deficiency in the appropriation for the subsistence department, Mr. J. R. Ingersoll in the chair. Mr. Vinton stated that the estimated deficit for the year is a fraction under \$4,000,000, but his bill is intended only to meet drafts daily expected from the South, amounting to half a million, and for half a million expected by the first train from Mexico to Vera Cruz. There was only about \$69,000 now at the command of the subsistence department, to meet these drafts. On motion of Mr. Pollock the Committee rose and reported the bill to the House without amendment. It was then passed unanimously.

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Mr. Fairfield, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill for the appointment of assistant purers in the navy.

Mr. Allen announced the death of Gen. Hamer, of Ohio, upon which the customary resolutions were adopted, and the Senate adjourned till Monday.

WASHINGTON, THURSDAY, Dec. 23.

SENATE.—A number of memorials and petitions were presented.

Mr. Johnson, of Maryland, submitted a resolution calling upon the government to exhibit the costs of the war, the number of killed and wounded, and the number of troops at present engaged in service.

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HOUSE.—After the transaction of some unimportant business, Mr. Morris, of Ohio, announced the death of Gen. Hamer, in a fitting and eloquent address. Passed, and the House adjourned to Monday.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 22—10 P. M.

Further effects of the great Freshet—

Fall of a house and seventeen persons killed.

At Mayville, some large pork houses were washed away by the flood and heavy losses of pork were sustained, belonging to Thomas Gurney. Passengers who came down the river last night, stated that a large brick house, belonging to the Fourtiers, in Clement county, on the banks of the Ohio river, fell down on Thursday last, and crushed 17 persons to death—and severely wounded several others. The Hibernal, that went up at the time, had three of the wounded people on board. The water around the buildings was ten feet deep.

THE EYES OF INSECTS.—How wonderfully constructed is this beautiful organ of insect vision! How admirably adapted to the necessities of insect life! The gaudy dragon fly, presenting, as he does, such a conspicuous and tempting show of colors to the active swallow, eludes the feathered enemy by superior agility of flight. Mere agility, however, would avail nothing without the aid of powerful eyes. Accordingly nature has given him somewhat more than twelve thousand bright and piercing ones, some looking upwards, some downwards, some backwards, and some on either side. In the ants, there are fifty of these faces or eyes; in the horsefly four thousand; in butterflies, no less than seventeen thousand three hundred and fifty-five have been counted—nay, in some coleopterous or scaly winged insects, there have been numbered no less than twenty-eight thousand and twenty-eight.—*True Sun.*

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NEWPORT MERCURY. NEWPORT.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 25, 1847.

SUBSCRIBERS.—As we should like to obtain a few additional subscribers to the MERCURY, we offer to all who commence at the beginning of the new year, and will pay the CASH in advance, a deduction of 25 cents on the years subscription.

THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS for this County, completed its fall term in this town on Monday evening, and adjourned to its regular term in May next. In addition to the business mentioned in our last, the following cases were tried at this term:—

Jon Taup vs AMEY KIRBY.—Action for trespass, in taking water from a well on the plaintiff's premises. Verdict for defendant.

Owner of Ship WM. LEE vs WM. H. KNOWLES.—Action for trespass, in cutting the warp of said ship, which obstructed the passage of defendants boat. Verdict for plaintiff, \$25 and costs.

Augustus THORNDIKE vs PERCY SHERMAN.—Action for trespass, in shooting plaintiff's dogs. Verdict for plaintiff, \$25 and costs.

MUNICIPAL.—A special Town Meeting was held in this town on Tuesday last. The following is a summary of the business transacted:

A vote passed ceding all rights of the town thereto to the proprietors of the new burying ground, and recommending the granting of the prayer of their petition to the General Assembly for an act of incorporation.

George Bowen, William Stevens and W. A. Clarke were appointed a committee to inquire as to the purchase and location of a new burying ground, and to report to the April town meeting. The same committee were authorized to report on a proposition to appropriate \$500 dollars for a new fence on the south side of the old burying ground, and for the proper regulation of said ground.

Augustus Bush and George Bowen were appointed a committee, to take charge of and superintend the Coddington Burying Ground.

A committee, consisting of the Town Treasurer, Benjamin Finch and Israel F. Lake, were appointed to ascertain the expediency of selling a small piece of the Common, at the head of Broad-street, known as the old Pound, and report at the next Town Meeting.

The Commissioners of the Asylum made a report as to the number of insane poor in that Institution—they state that the whole number is twenty-six, sixteen of these are pronounced incurable; one infirm and harmless, and nine proper subjects for an Insane Hospital. Six of the persons pronounced incurable would be more comfortable by the watchful care of such an institution.

The Commissioners of the Asylum were authorized to place such of the insane poor of the town as they shall deem expedient at the Butler Hospital, and to draw on the town treasury for the necessary expenses.

A vote passed allowing the inhabitants of this town to take sand at the beach and about the sand fence.

The town council were instructed to pass such ordinance as they may think proper on the subject of dogs. The meeting then adjourned.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

HOLIDAY BOOKS.—A favorite with all classes of the present-making public is found in the annuals and other holiday books, which have so greatly increased in number within the few years past, and are now published in so many different styles, on such variant subjects, and at prices adapted to all purses. Those who are blessed with bounteous means can procure the beautifully illustrated and illuminated works of the highest and most expensive class; while those of more limited resources will find in the cheaper and humbler, yet neat and entertaining annuals, presents within the compass of their means, which will not prove unacceptable to the recipients.

The appropriate books for the season, as well as standard works, and other suitable presentation articles may be obtained at James Hammond's.

FANCY GOODS.—As the season of holidays has arrived, when every body feels bound to make presents, we would call attention to the splendid store of Mr. John T. Stanhope, No. 2 Colonead Row, where will be found one of the richest and most extensive assortments of articles suitable for holiday presents, in town. Those who are in search of presents for young people, cannot fail to suit themselves there.

TOYS, FRUIT, CONFECTIONERY, &c.—Among the many "Curiosity Shops" in this town, none, perhaps, is better known than that of Mr. H. H. Young, near the Town Hall. Independent of any idea of purchasing, it is time well bestowed to visit this establishment, merely to inspect the collection of the rich and rare; the sparkling and the beautiful. We passed his windows last evening, and saw that Old Santa Claus had arrived, and was drawing a crowd of purchasers.

THE UNION MAGAZINE.—NEW YORK:—

This Magazine has now just commenced its second volume. The style in which it is go up, we think is not surpassed by any of its contemporaries; and when we say that

Mrs. C. M. Kirkland has the charge of the editorial department, we consider it praise sufficient.

There are three embellishments with a Fashion Plate and Music in this No. all of the former engraved by Matteson. Several fine cuts interspersed with the reading matter serve to give beauty and utility to the work. The list of contributors embraces some of the best writers of the day. Price \$3 per annum.

TRAGEDY AT ST. LOUIS.—On the 15th, Harrington, of Rockwell & Co's. circus, shot Hiram Franklin, the well known equestrian of the same troupe, and wounded him slightly. Harrington afterwards committed suicide by shooting himself twice in the head.

AN HONEST GIRL.—A few mornings since a middle aged gentleman from Mississippi, stopping at the Astor House in New York, complained to the chief of Police that he had been robbed of \$1300 in the street, by a young girl who he met the night before, and of whom he gave a description. Several of the police officers were put on the alert for the thief at various houses of ill-fame. About 11 o'clock in the day a servant girl at the Astor House brought a pocket book to the barkeeper containing \$1300, which she had found on the floor of one of the bed-rooms. It proved to be the identical pocket book which the Mississippi gentleman had lost. He then took refuge in the Watch House.

BRIGHTON MARKET.—MONDAY, Dec. 20, 1847. (Reported for the Boston Daily Advertiser.)

At market 500 Beef Cattle, 28 yoke of Oxen, 30 Cows and Calves, 2500 Sheep, and 600 Swine.

PRICES.

Beef Cattle.—Extra \$7; first quality 5 50 a 6 75; second 5 75 a \$6; third 4 50 a 5 25.

Working Oxen.—\$70 a \$115, according to size and quality.

Cows and Calves.—\$20, \$25, \$31, \$38, \$42, & \$55.

Sheep.—\$1, \$1 25, \$1 50, \$2, \$2 25. Extra Wethers \$1 50 a \$6 50.

Seine.—14 a 54 at wholesale.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

CITY MEETING.

THE CITIZENS of Newport, one and all, are invited to meet at the Town Hall, on MONDAY EVENING next, Dec. 27th, at half past 6 o'clock, to discuss the propriety, and take the necessary steps for petitioning the General Assembly for a city Government for this Town. *

HISTORICAL LECTURES.—Subject of to-morrow evening's Lecture at the Mill street Church.

Erasmus.

Service commences at 6 o'clock.

SCROFULA AND SCROFULOUS SWELLINGS.—Scrofula in all its multiplied forms, whether in that of King's Evil, Enlargement of the Glands or Bones, Goitre, White Swellings, Chronic Rheumatism, Cancer, Diseases of the Skin or Spine, or of Pulmonary Consumption, emanate from one and the same cause, which is a poisonous principle inherent in the human system. Therefore, unless this principle can be destroyed, no radical cure can be effected; but if the principle upon which the disease depends is removed, a cure must of necessity follow, no matter under what form the disease should manifest itself. This, therefore, is the reason why JAYNE'S ALTERNATIVE is so universally successful in removing so many malignant diseases. It destroys the virus or principle from which those diseases have their origin, by entering into the circulation, and with the blood is conveyed to the minutest fibre; removing every particle of disease from the system.

Prepared only by Dr. D. JAYNE, Philadelphia, and sold on agency in Newport, by

Dec. 25. R. R. HAZARD.

MASTITISSES.

In New York, on Wednesday the 15th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Sommers, Mr. JAMES H. CLARK, of Stonington, Ct., to Mrs. PHINEAS R. WEAVER, daughter of Capt. John O. Dockray, of Jamestown, R. I.

In this town, on Tuesday evening last, by the Rev. Mr. Smith, Mr. WILLIAM PIKE to Miss ELIZABETH, daughter of Mr. William Gladding, all of this place.

DEATHS.

In this town, on Friday 17th, Major JAMES M. TEEVIL, in the 50th year of his age. He was a benevolent and kind friend, an honest man, and a good citizen—respected by all who knew him.

In this town, on Wednesday last, Miss ANN FRANCIS, second daughter of Mr. Joseph F. Havers, in the 21st year of her age.

FANNY HODGES, widow of the late Isaac Hodges.

In Concord, N. H., on Thursday, Dec. 23d, at noon, Rev. THOMAS LEAVER, formerly of this town, aged 55 years, and 11 months.

In Abington Greene, (Pens.) Mrs. BETSY NORTON, wife of William Norton, Esq., formerly Post Master at Tiverton, R. I., in the 73d year of her age.

He sent me a letter a month ago, Stating that he would like to know, If I would arrange it so, For him to stop with me.

Of course I quickly did reply, And on my word you may rely, I never let such things pass by,

For that would never do.

So he will be at Young's to-day, With all his goods so rich and gay, And they will all be given away

For a trifling sum.

And so good friends I hope you all, Will be on hand to give a call, At the same old place next to the Town Hall,

Where all may suited be.

ALSO,

The greatest arrangements have been made in the

CANDY & FRUIT LANE.

And CHIPAPER than was ever offered before in Newport.

PRESENTS for CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS.

ELEGANT Annals and other Fancy and use-ful Books, being a variety of more than 100 kinds. Also, rich and handsome editions of the book of Common Prayer, Family and Pocket Bibles, a variety of modern Games, and Fancy Articles generally.

The above with Dress Goods, and other articles of Dry Goods, for sale at

JAMES HAMMOND'S.

Registry Tax Notice.

HAVING received the Registry Tax Book from

the Town Clerk, I shall be and remain at my

office, No. 110 Thames street, to receive the Registry, and Personal Tax, according to law, this month, at least six hours in each day, and the last six days, from 12 to 6 o'clock. Those who

wish to avail themselves of the privilege of voting in 1848, must call and pay their tax this month.

Dec. 25. J. GOODSPED, Collector.

LECTURES.

THE Lecture Committee of the Newport As-

sociation of Mechanics and Manufacturers,

respectively announced to the public, that the 24

Lecture of the course will be given at Armory

Hall, on THURSDAY EVENING next, Dec.

16th, by J. C. Parks, of Boston.

Doors open at 6 o'clock, and the Lecture to

commence at 7 precisely.

Tickets to the course one dollar; single tickets

25 cents.

Dec. 11.—1w.

Notice.

WILLIAM NEWTON, respectfully gives no-

tice to all his customers having accounts at

his Store, (No. 150 Thames-st.) that their bills

will be ready and presented on the first day of

January, 1848, for payment, and it is confidently

expected that every one will respond to this call

and cheerfully pay up.

All persons having demands are requested to

call at the same time and receive their pay.

He thanks his numerous customers for all past

favors at the old stand, and solicits a continuance

at the same place.

[Dec. 18, 1847.—3w.]

REGISTRY TAX.

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wish to avail themselves of the privilege of voting

in 1848, must call and pay their tax this month.

Dec. 25. J. GOODSPED, Collector.

Bank of Rhode Island.

THE Stockholders of the Bank of Rhode Is-

land are hereby notified that the Annual

Meeting for the choice of Directors will be

held at the Bank on MONDAY, January 3d, 1848, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

W. A. CLARKE, Cashier.

Newport, Dec. 25, 1847.

Newport Bank.

A SEMI-ANNUAL dividend will be paid at

this Bank on and after the 1st day of Janu-

ary, 1848. The annual meeting of the Stock-

holders will be held at the Bank on WEDNES-

DAY, January 5th, at 3 o'clock, p. m., for the

election of officers for the ensuing year.

Dec. 25. J. GOODSPED, Collector.

CAHOONE, Cashier.

LEXINGTON, C. H., SOUTH CAROLINA,

November 21st, 1847.

MERCURY MARINE LIST.

PORT OF NEWPORT.

ARRIVED.

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THE NEWPORT MERCURY, ESTABLISHED A.D. 1758.

—THE—
CLOTHING ESTABLISHMENT
IN BOSTON!
For years the First and ONLY HOUSE which
has adhered to that Popular System of
LOW PRICES
For Gentlemen's Clothing.
is that widely known and universally celebrated
CLOTHING EMPORIUM,

OAK HALL,
GEO. W. SIMMONS, Proprietor.

The excellence of the plan which he originally
designed, and which has been by him so
successfully prosecuted, is not only

APRECIATED BY THE PUBLIC,
but to some extent,
Approved by the Trade—at least so far as the
Inimitation lately introduced give evidence of
their approbation of the only true and
perfect system, which

ENSURES TO BUYERS
Every description of
Gentlemen's Clothing,
at the

Lowest Scale of Prices!!
The Elegant display of Goods at

SIMMONS' OAK HALL,
Embracing the latest Importations from
LONDON and PARIS,

Are manufactured under his own personal super-
intendence and direction; and affords to Ge-
nlemen who would save upon old prices, full
30 to 40 per cent.

in the purchase of a good Suit of Clothes,
WELL CUT AND WELL MADE,
a complete opportunity of selecting from the lar-
gest Stock Every Variety of

Elegant Clothing :

—AND—

DR ESS GOODS,
Now in the United States,
And which may be had by

Citizens & Friends.

—In addition to a—
SUPERB ASSORTMENT

OF

Children's Clothing,
AT LOWER RATES

Than can be purchased at any other establish-
ment on the face of the Globe, and at

PRICES LESS

Than ever before offered, even at

Simmons'.

P. S.—Wholesale Traders, look to this. Thou-
sands of dozens of Coats, Fants, Vests, &c.

Furnishing GOODS Cheap.

Entrance at No. 32

OAK HALL,
Nos. 32, 34, 36, and 38 Ann Street,
Near the head of Merchants' Row
BOSTON.

Oct. 16, 1847.—3m.

WINTER ARRANGEMENT
FOR NEW YORK.

The steamboat GOVERN-
OR, Capt. W. Brown, will
leave Fall River on Mon-
days, Wednesdays and Fri-
days, and New York on Tuesdays, Thursdays and
Saturdays, connecting with the Bradford Durfee
either way, at Fall River.

Cabin fare between Providence and New York
is \$3. Berths and state rooms can be se-
cured on board the Bradford Durfee.

Rates of freight the same as other railroad and
teamer routes.

The Governor leaves Long Wharf, New-
port, for New York about 8 o'clock.

FRESH GROCERIES.

Just received and for sale by WM. NEWTON, at
No. 150 Thames street.

REMNANT CALICOES for Comfortables at 9
cents per yard. Also a very cheap calico
8 cents for sale by WM. COZZENS & CO.

Housekeeping Goods.

FOR SALE AT 1594 THAMES STREET, BY

James H. Hammett.

BLANKETS, COUNTERPANES, BROWN &
WHITE LINEN TABLE COVERS, WOOLEN
AND COTTON DO. DO., 8-4 BROWN
LINEN, DAMASK, LINEN NAPKINS,
LINEN DOYLIES, WHITE LINENS,
SCOTCH DIAPER, CRASH, TICK-
INGS, CHINTZ, &c. &c.

WOOLEN YARN.

NICE WOOLEN YARN, for sale by

H. SESSIONS.

Sept. 18.] 162 Thames-st.

KNIT HOSIERY.

THE greatest variety of Knit Hosiery of every

description from the smallest child to the

largest man's—for sale at

H. SESSIONS,

No. 162, Thames-st.

COLOGNE.—Best German, French & American
Colognes, and a variety of handkerchief per-
fumes at R. H. HAZARD'S.

WATER TWIST BLEACHED COTTON.—

One case of these very superior bleached
cotton sheets just received. Also one case of

fine linen bleached cotton, in short pieces and
at reduced prices.

Nov. 20.] WM. COZZENS & CO.

CARPETING.—Yard wide handsome Carpet-
ing 2s per yd.; do all wool, 3s do., for sale
by WM. COZZENS & CO.

Red Twilled Flannel.

At an unusually low price. For sale by

E. W. LAWTON & SON.

Nov. 12.

Highly Important
TO ECONOMISTS,
AND THE
Clothes-Wearing part of the
Community in General.

—DECIDED BARGAINS IN—

READY MADE

CLOTHING

Are now offered at the Great

OREGON

CLOTHING Ware-house.

—

HAVING just been replenished with a New

and extensive assortment of Fashionable Ready-Made Clothing of every description, adapted expressly to the

Fall & Winter Trade,

This establishment, so well patronized by our

Citizens and also by Strangers for the past year, still continues to hold out great inducements to the purchasers of ready made Clothing, is being acknowledged by all *caudal* men, to be the only

Emporium of Fashion and Low

—Prices.—

Where garments of every description may be found, possessing every requisite a garment should have to look easy graceful and dignified.

THIS store comprises every Fashionable Garment, manufactured of the best Foreign and Domestic Fabric, consisting of a great variety of

CLOAKS

or Men & Boys, of all qualities, and at all prices

OVER COATS

of Beaver and Broad Cloths, cut in the latest and most fashionable style. The assortment is very large, and will be sold at prices to suit the fancy and also the *purse*. Call and look at them.

SACK COATS.

Our assortment of Sacks was never larger than at present, consisting of Beavers, Broad-clothes, and Tweeds of every grade.

PILOT COATS.

A very serviceable article to all those who are exposed to the weather.

FANTALOONS.

A large and complete assortment of Pants of every description, consisting of black and blue black, Broad Cloth, black and dark mixed Cassimere, fancy plaid and striped Doeskins, Kentucky Jeans Satinets, &c. &c.

VESTS.

An entire new lot of Silk and Satin, Bombazine, Italian Cloth, Valencia and Marsala Vests. Also double and single breasted Broadcloth and Cassimere, and a great many others too numerous to mention.

THREE CHILDREN

Dr. Townsend: Dear Sir—I have the pleasure to inform you that three of my children have been cured of the Scrofula by the use of your excellent medicine. They were afflicted very severely with bad sores; have taken some four bottles; it took them away, for which I feel myself under deep obligation.

Yours respectfully,

Dr. Townsend's
SARASPARILLA!

The most extraordinary Medicine in the

World!

THIS extract is put up in quart bottles; it is six times cheaper, pleasant and warranted superior to any sold. It cures diseases without vomiting, purging, sickening, or debilitating the patient.

The great beauty and superiority of this Saraparilla over all other medicines is, while it eradicates diseases, it invigorates the body. It is one of the very best spring and Summer medicines ever known; it not only purifies the whole system and strengthens the person, but it creates new pure and rich blood; a power possessed by no other medicine, and in this lies the grand secret of its wonderful success. It has performed within the past two years, more than 35,000 cures of severe cases of disease; at least 6,000 of these were considered incurable. More than

3,000 cases of Chronic Rheumatism;

2,000 cases of Dyspepsia;

4,000 cases of General Debility and Want of Energy

7,000 cases of the different Female Complaints;

2,000 cases of Croupula;

1,000 cases of the Liver Complaint.

2,500 cases of Disease of the Kidneys and Drapery;

8,000 cases of Consumption.

And thousands of cases of disease of the blood, viz: Ulcers, crampas, salivaria, pimples on the face, &c. &c. Together with numerous cases of sick headache, pain in the side and chest, spinal affection, &c. &c.

Dr. Townsend: I have used one bottle of your Saraparilla, and find it is excellent in its effect upon a chronic rheumatic pain to which I am subject, from an injury occasioned several years ago in a public stage. Please send me two bottles to the care of Dr. Seymour. I have conversed with two of our principal physicians, and recommended your Saraparilla.

Harford, March 12. 1845. SETH TERRY.

The following is from one of the most respectable physicians on Long Island:—

Greenport, July 10, 1846.

Dr. Townsend: Dear Sir—It is with satisfaction that I say to you, that I have recently witnessed, in several cases, the most beneficial results from the use of your Extract of Saraparilla. Being engaged in the practice of medicine, I have prescribed it in several cases, and never without benefit. In the removal of disease arising from a deranged state of the digestive organs, jaundice, &c., it far exceeds any thing of the kind ever before offered to the public. You will please send me two dozen, &c. &c.

Respectfully yours, S. C. PRESTON, M. D.

RHEUMATISM.

This Saraparilla is used with the most perfect success in Rheumatic complaints, however severe or chronic. The astonishing cures it has performed are indeed wonderful. Other remedies sometimes give temporary relief; this entirely eradicates it from the system, even when the limb and bones are dreadfully swollen.

Dr. Townsend: I am one of the oldest and most respectable lawyers in Hartford, Conn.—

The following is an extract of a letter received from him:

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CAUTION.

Owing to the great success and immense sale of Dr. Townsend's Saraparilla, a number of men who were formerly our agents, have commenced making Saraparilla Extracts, Elixirs, Bitters, &c. &c. They generally put it up in some shaped bottles and copied our certificates and advertisements claiming that theirs is superior and four times stronger than Dr. Townsend's &c. &c. hoping thereby to deceive the public. Some use fictitious names, a few use their own; some of these unprincipled men publish certificates, others have induced their brothers and other interested persons to allow the use of their names, to which they put Ex quo, to give them respectability. One makes medicine and puts it with respectable names procured by using Dr. Townsend's Saraparilla, published them as his own. He also publishes the certificate of a person who styles himself an M. D., who mends shoes, digs wells, and doctors birds by turns for a livelihood. These and a great variety of other tricks are performed by these men to dispose of the oil. The public should be on their guard, and look out for counterfeits.

Principal Office, 126 Fulton-st., Sun Building, N. Y.; Redding & Co., State-st., Boston; Dwyer & Sons, 132 North Second st., Philadelphia; S. H. Hance, Druggist, Baltimore; Durf & Co., Richmond; P. M. Cohen, Charleston; Wright & Peart, 151 Charles-st., New Orleans; 105 South Pearl-st., Albany; and by the principal Druggists and merchants generally throughout the United States, West Indies and Canada. [Aug. 7.

5,000 CHILDREN THE PAST SEASON.

As it removed the cause of disease, and prepared them for the Summer season.

UNITED STATES OFFICER.

Capt. G. W. McLean, of the United States Navy, and member of the New Jersey Legislature, has kindly sent us the following certificate.

It tells its own story

RHAWAY, Jan. 2, 1847.

A year since I was taken with the Influenza and my whole system left in a debilitated state I was induced to try Dr. Townsend's Saraparilla and after taking two or three bottles. I was very much relieved, and attribute it entirely to the said Saraparilla. I have continued taking it, and find that I improve every day. I believe it saved my life, and would not be without it under any consideration.

G. W. McLEAN.

SCROFULA CURED.

This Certificate conclusively proves that this Saraparilla has perfect control over the most obstinate diseases of the blood. Three persons

cur'd in one house is unprecedented.

RHAWAY, Jan. 2, 1847.

REmanufacturing and have always on hand, and after having sold out, will be attended to on the most reasonable terms. Orders left at the store will be executed with despatch.

A large assortment of such articles as are usually found in an establishment of this kind on hand and for sale. All kinds of Job Work will be carefully attended to on the most reasonable terms. Orders left at the store will be executed with despatch.

A share of public patronage is solicited, and the most ample satisfaction will be given.

Store, second door north of the Custom House.

Nov. 20, 1847.] NATHAN M. CHAFFEE.

For Sale in Newport, by

R. J. TAYLOR.